



October 15, 2004

Dear Independent Review Committee:

Attached are answers to the summary questions that were sent to you seven days ago.

To the extent that staff could, answers were developed to be as informative and concise as possible. Some of the questions asked were by their nature very difficult to answer due to the paucity of data, complexity of the topic or a combination of both. We hope this information is helpful in meeting your needs.

There were some questions asked by the committee regarding laws that I want to address. One of the assumptions stated in the charter for the committee was that *all existing legal requirements (laws, contracts, agreements) remain in place*. But in the course of discussion some of you asked about which laws or combination of laws pose difficulties for trust management. In light of the stated charter assumption, no attempt was made within the information attached to addresses that question. However, to be respectful to the question asked I have planned time at our next meeting to discuss.

I will follow up with a phone call to make sure you have received all the information and learn if there is anything more you may need before our next meeting on October 22. An agenda and travel directions for the meeting will be made available soon.

Please feel free to contact me anytime: (360) 902-1684 or cell (360) 870-5949.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Jed P. Herman".

Jed P. Herman  
Facilitator

Enclosures

